

Tlingit language, history and culture. In 1972, Jackson signed the articles of incorporation for Sealaska Corporation that was created under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. As one of the original incorporators of Sealaska Corporation, he was the only board member to serve continuously from the time Sealaska was founded. He also served on the board of directors for Sealaska Timber Corporation and served as the chairman of the Sealaska Heritage Institute's Council of Traditional Scholars. But many saw him as an ambassador to the community. He was a gentle man adept at using humor to reach people. In his capacity on the board, he represented Sealaska at funerals, celebrations, and many other community events.

Clarence was born in Kake, AK, on May 24, 1934. He lived there most of his life, attending Sheldon Jackson School in Sitka. He continued on to Sheldon Jackson College in 1954. Growing up immersed in his Tlingit community allowed him to become a very articulate orator. He excelled through his teachings of the Tlingit culture. After college, Clarence moved back to Kake, where he became a fisherman and operated a small store.

In the 1960's, Clarence became a delegate to the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indians in the Alaska Native claims movement. He served as this council's president from 1972 through 1976.

Clarence also advocated for the importance of preserving the cultural values of all Native people and eloquently spoke to this at Celebration 2012 in Juneau.

Clarence positively impacted the lives of everyone he met. He accomplished a great deal for his Native people, and he was blessed with a truly wonderful family. Thanks to modern technology, his stories and life experiences will live on for eternity.

On behalf of the Senate I extend condolences to Clarence's family, his wife of 58 years, Gertrude Louise "Lidda" Paddock, and the Tlingit people of Southeast Alaska. His life has been appropriately honored with a ceremony at Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall, in Juneau, AK.●

#### TRIBUTE TO JIM ALEXANDER

● Ms. AYOTTE. Mr. President, today I rise to recognize and congratulate chief of police M. James "Jim" Alexander, Jr., of the Lebanon New Hampshire Police Department for his more than 26 years of dedicated law enforcement service to our State and Nation.

The Chief began his law enforcement career as a police officer with the Brattleboro, VT, Police Department in 1987. Chief Alexander then joined the Lebanon New Hampshire Police Department in 1990 as a patrol officer. He was promoted to patrol supervisor in 1991, sergeant in 1996, lieutenant in 1999, captain in 2002, and deputy chief in 2004. Jim was appointed Lebanon's chief of police on March 1, 2006.

During his long career as a public safety professional, Chief Alexander has been a leader in promoting community-oriented policing, improving public safety within the State of New Hampshire, and promoting sound public policies and practices, which have helped keep New Hampshire one of the safest States in the Nation. Chief Alexander has worked tirelessly with his peers and with other public safety officials to better the administration of justice. He is well known for his collaboration with local, county, State, and Federal law enforcement agencies. He was recognized in 2007 with the Community Health Leadership Award, and in 2009 he received recognition for his extraordinary commitment and contributions to the Grafton County Drug Court Program. Under his leadership, the Lebanon, NH, Police Department was cited for the extraordinary assistance provided to the U.S. Marshals Service in helping to successfully end a dangerous 9-month-long standoff with convicted antigovernment activists.

As Chief Alexander celebrates his retirement, I commend him on a job well done. I ask my colleagues to join me in wishing him, his wife Deb, and their adult children, Nick and Jacqui, well in all future endeavors.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read twice and placed on the calendar pursuant to the order of February 14, 2013, as modified on February 26, 2013:

S. 16. A bill to provide for a sequester replacement.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-457. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tomatoes Grown in Florida; Decreased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. AMS-FV-12-0051; FV12-966-1 IR) received during adjourn-

ment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-458. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marketing Order Regulating the Handling of Spearmint Oil Produced in the Far West; Change to Administrative Rules Regarding the Transfer and Storage of Excess Spearmint Oil" (Docket No. AMS-FV-12-0014; FV12-985-2 FR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-459. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Department of Defense counternarcotics support activities (OSS Control No. 2013-0256); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-460. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Alleged Crimes By or Against Contractor Personnel" ((RIN0750-AH57) (DFARS Case 2012-D006)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-461. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System" ((RIN0750-AG40) (DFARS Case 2009-D002)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-462. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Acquisition of Tents and Other Temporary Structures" ((RIN0750-AH73) (DFARS Case 2012-D015)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-463. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, (15) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Defense, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-464. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, a report relative to a vacancy in the Department of the Air Force, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-465. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, (2) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of the Army, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 21, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-466. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, a report relative to a vacancy in the Department of the Navy, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the